

**REMARKS**

With the entry of this Amendment claims 1, 2, 5-7, 14, 15, and 18 are pending in the Application. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication of allowability of claims 1, 2, 5-7, 14, 15, and 18 in the Office Action dated June 4, 2003.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 8-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as being based on a disclosure which is not enabling and rejected claims 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,936,689 to Saishu et al. in view of U.S. Patent 5,686,019 to Nakamura. Applicants disagree with these rejections. However, to advance prosecution of the claims the Examiner indicated as allowable, Applicants have canceled claims 8-11 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

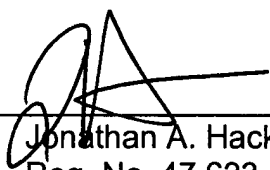
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this Application and the allowance of the pending claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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